



Typical South African wine grape farms

Region	50B - Breedekloof		50P - Paarl	
Total farm size, ha	50		50	
- full production, ha	42		40	
- non-full bearing, ha	4		6	
- in establishment & fallow, ha	4		4	
- other farm branch, ha	0		0	
Lifetime of vineyard, years	25		25	
Average time to first full yield after	year 5		year 6	
planting new vines	yeur o		yeu. e	
Grape yield on farm 2011, t/ha	15 – 27.5		10 – 20 (high quality)	
Total grape yield 2011, t/farm	923.1		558	
Average use of plant protection	261		212	
products, EUR/ha	201		212	
Average use of fertiliser, EUR/ha	187		107	
Average rainfall, mm/year	500		650	
Share of irrigated vineyards (%)	100 %		100 %	
Irrigation system	drip		drip	
Total surface of these 6 international	19.7		32.33	
wine varieties, ha:	-51,		02.00	
Merlot, Pinot Noir, Syrah/Shiraz,				
Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay,				
Sauvignon Blanc				
Top 3 varieties grown				
- Name 1, ha	Chenin Blanc	13.4	Chenin Blanc	11
- Name 2, ha	Colombar	9.3	Cabernet S.	10.78
- Name 3, ha	Shiraz	5.3	Shiraz	8.73
Vines per ha	3,333		3,3	
Distance between the rows (m)	2.5		2.5	
Less favoured area	/		/	
Legal form	family farm		family farm	
Decoupled payment, EU subsidies,	0		0	
EUR/ha	U		U	
Subsidies (per farm) (e.g., for	1		1	
irrigation system, conversion of old	I			
vineyards, grubbing-up etc.)				
	Five strand outsided Develo		Five strand extended Pereld	
Canopy management / production system	Five-strand extended Perold		Five-strand extended Perold	
Vertical market integration /				
marketing channels				
- selling grapes (with or without	100% delivery to cooperative		100 % sell to private cellars	
formal contracts) or delivering			and wholesalers	
them to cooperative				
- producing and marketing bulk	/		/	

Factsheet - South Africa

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wine			
- producing and marketing	/	/	
packaged wine			
Participation in private quality	Integrated Production of	Integrated Production of	
certification scheme	Wine (IPW); Wine Industry	Wine (IPW); Wine Industry	
	Ethical Trade Association	Ethical Trade Association	
	(WIETA)	(WIETA)	
Family labour (hours per year)	2,160	2,160	
Hired labour (hours per year)	28,080	19,440	
Seasonal workers (hours per year)	6,480	10,800	
Use of own machinery	yes	yes	
Use of hired machinery / contractors	Only for land preparation at	Only for land preparation at	
/ co-operative machine pool	establishment of new	establishment of new	
	vineyards	vineyards	
Harvest	40% manual and 60%	62% manual and 38%	
	machine	machine	

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